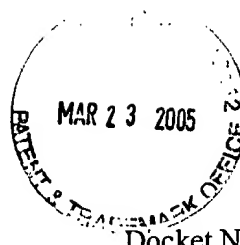


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2004 (Paper No. 9), finally rejecting claims 1–23, Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination and Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally, and respectfully request consideration of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.